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H. R. 1244

To establish a deficit reduction account and a Build America Account in the Treasury of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Wise introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Deficit Reduction Ac-
- 5 count Act of 1993".
- 6 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF DEFICIT REDUCTION AC-
- 7 **COUNT.**
- 8 (a) Establishment.—(1) There is established in
- 9 the Treasury of the United States an account to be known
- 10 as the "Deficit Reduction Account", consisting of such

- 1 amounts as may be appropriated or credited to the Deficit
- 2 Reduction Account as provided in this section.
- 3 (2) The trustees of the Deficit Reduction Account
- 4 shall be the Secretary of the Treasury and 2 members of
- 5 the public (both of whom may not be of the same political
- 6 party) and who shall be nominated by the President for
- 7 a term of 4 years and subject to confirmation by the
- 8 Senate.
- 9 (b) Transfer to Fund of Amounts Specified in
- 10 Subsequent Acts of Congress.—There is hereby ap-
- 11 propriated to the Deficit Reduction Account amounts de-
- 12 termined by the Secretary of the Treasury to be equivalent
- 13 to amounts specified by subsequent Acts of Congress.
- 14 (c) Transfers From the Fund.—(1)(A) It shall
- 15 be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to invest such
- 16 portion of the Deficit Reduction Account as is not required
- 17 to meet current withdrawals. Such investments may be
- 18 made only in interest-bearing obligations of the United
- 19 States. For such purpose, such obligations may be ac-
- 20 quired—
- 21 (i) on original issue at the issue price, or
- 22 (ii) by the purchase of outstanding obligations
- at the market price.
- (B) Any obligation acquired by the Deficit Reduction
- 25 Account under subparagraph (A) may be sold by the Sec-

- 1 retary of the Treasury at the market price and the pro-
- 2 ceeds from such sale shall be credited to the Account.
- 3 (2) For appropriation of interest earned on obliga-
- 4 tions in the Deficit Reduction Account to the Build Amer-
- 5 ica Account, see section 3(b).

6 SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF BUILD AMERICA ACCOUNT.

- 7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—(1) There is established in
- 8 the Treasury of the United States an account to be known
- 9 as the "Build America Account", consisting of such
- 10 amounts as may be appropriated or credited to the Build
- 11 America Account as provided in this section.
- 12 (2) The trustees of the Build America Account shall
- 13 be the same trustees as the trustees of the Deficit Reduc-
- 14 tion Account.
- 15 (b) Transfer to the Account of Certain
- 16 Amounts From Deficit Reduction Account.—There
- 17 is hereby appropriated to the Build America Account the
- 18 amount determined by the Secretary of the Treasury to
- 19 be equal to the interest earned on obligations in the Deficit
- 20 Reduction Account.
- 21 (c) Transfers From the Account.—(1)(A) It
- 22 shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to invest
- 23 such portion of the Build America Account as is not re-
- 24 quired to meet current withdrawals. Such investments
- 25 may be made only in interest-bearing obligations of the

- 1 United States. For such purpose, such obligations may be
- 2 acquired—
- 3 (i) on original issue at the issue price, or
- 4 (ii) by the purchase of outstanding obligations
- 5 at the market price.
- 6 (B) Any obligation acquired by the Build America Ac-
- 7 count under subparagraph (A) may be sold by the Sec-
- 8 retary of the Treasury at the market price and the pro-
- 9 ceeds from such sale shall be credited to the Account.
- 10 (2) Interest earned on any obligations shall be cred-
- 11 ited to the Account.
- 12 (3) Beginning 5 years after the date of enactment
- 13 of this section, amounts in the Build America Account
- 14 shall be available, as provided in appropriation Acts, for
- 15 public investment.
- 16 (d) Annual Reports.—The President shall report
- 17 annually to each House of the Congress on the financial
- 18 condition of the Deficit Reduction Account and the Build
- 19 America Account and the extent to which each such fund
- 20 has been used to carry out its purposes.